

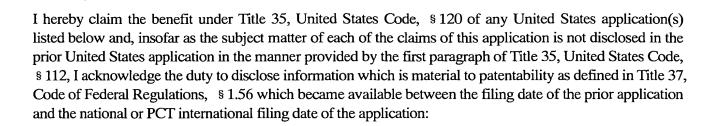


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DECLARATION FOR U.S. PATENT APPLICATION

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and was amend		<u>ch 21, 2001</u> as	United States Application	Number 09/813,303
•	that I have reviewed aim(s), as amended by		the contents of the above-i	dentified specification
_	the duty to disclose in Regulations, § 1.56.	formation which	is material to the patentability	as defined in Title 37,
application(s) f	or patent or inventor's patent or inventor's co	certificate listed	, United States Code, § 119(below and have also identifing date before that of the	fied below any foreign
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this page)	(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	Yes No
(See note B on	back of this page) _	See attached	list for additional prior foreig	n applications
I hereby claim application(s) li		e 35, United Stat	es Code, § 119(e) of any Ur	nited States provisional
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